

**Table S-2. Primary education and employment status, and median salary of science and engineering master's degree recipients in 1997 and 1998, by major field of degree: April 1999**

Major field of 1997-98 S&E master's degree	Total recipients	Primary education and employment status				Median salary for full-time employed <sup>2</sup>
		Full-time student	Not full-time student			
			Employed in science and engineering <sup>1</sup>	Employed in other occupation	Not employed & not full-time student	
All science and engineering fields.....	157,000	32,100	71,800	46,300	6,800	\$46,000
Total science.....	110,400	24,300	39,400	41,200	5,500	40,000
Computer and information sciences.....	20,000	1,600	14,200	3,700	S	58,000
Life and related sciences, total.....	16,600	4,900	5,000	6,000	S	34,000
Agricultural and food sciences.....	2,300	S	S	S	S	34,500
Biological sciences.....	11,600	4,300	3,400	3,600	S	34,000
Environmental life sciences including forestry science.....	2,600	S	S	1,400	S	36,000
Mathematical and related sciences.....	7,200	1,800	3,200	1,700	S	44,000
Physical and related sciences, total.....	9,100	2,900	4,100	1,600	S	41,600
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	3,700	1,200	1,700	S	S	43,000
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	3,000	600	1,600	600	S	37,000
Physics and astronomy.....	2,300	1,100	800	S	S	40,000
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	30,000	6,900	7,700	13,200	2,200	32,000
Social and related sciences, total.....	27,500	6,200	5,100	14,900	1,300	40,000
Economics.....	4,300	1,300	S	1,600	S	45,000
Political science and related sciences.....	9,400	1,900	1,600	5,600	S	40,000
Sociology and anthropology.....	4,300	1,400	S	1,700	S	31,200
Other social sciences.....	9,500	1,500	S	6,100	S	38,000
Total engineering.....	46,700	7,900	32,500	5,100	1,300	55,000
Aerospace and related engineering.....	1,500	400	800	S	S	50,000
Chemical engineering.....	2,300	500	1,400	S	S	55,000
Civil and architectural engineering.....	6,600	S	4,700	S	S	45,000
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	16,300	2,400	12,500	1,000	S	60,000
Industrial engineering.....	3,600	S	2,400	S	S	55,000
Mechanical engineering.....	6,800	1,100	4,900	S	S	51,000
Other engineering.....	9,600	2,000	5,700	1,600	S	52,000

<sup>1</sup> Science and engineering occupations include postsecondary educators. For more details, see technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> Salary data are for principal jobs only. Full-time employed are those working at least 35 hours per week at their principal job. Self-employed persons and full-time students are excluded from salary data.

**KEY:** S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

**NOTES:** Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

These estimates of 1997 and 1998 college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals receiving bachelor's or master's degrees in science or engineering fields and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

**SOURCE:** National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1999